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Aladdin M. Al-Tayyar (5)

A confidential source advised that Aladdin Al-Tayyar, also known as Alaeddin M. Al-Tayyar, Alaeddin Al-Tayyae, Alaeddin Al-Tayyar, and Ala-Al-Din Al-Tayyar, is the First Secretary to the Iraq Mission to the United Nations, New York. In 1971 he was Iraq Consul in Montreal, Canada. He previously resided at 377 Stewart Street, Ottawa, Canada, and at P.3, 1444 McKay Street, Montreal, Canada. Al-Tayyar still maintains business and social contacts in Montreal and travels to Montreal on numerous occasions.

On December 23, 1974, Al-Tayyar had a discussion with 3 an individual named Issam Abi Rafeh concerning the fact that Al-Tayyar had 70 "units" and 2,000 rounds of ammunition. C5 These two individuals discussed the transfer of these "units" in New York, and also discussed a planned trip to Montreal that day or the following day. It is not currently known whether the "units" were transported to Montreal or remained in the United States.

In January, 1975, William Apikian, 21 Avenue du Jour, CS Ferney-Voltaire, France, arrived in New York from Europe. He and Al-Tayyar engaged in extensive discussions with United States weapons' dealers concerning the purchase of sophisticated weapons and their possible shipment to the Middle East. Apikian, who also claims to have a residence in Geneva, Switzerland, apparently also formerly worked in Canada. Apikian

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Aladdin M. Al-Tayyar

is believed to have traveled to Montreal on the weekend of January 24-26, 1975, and to have stayed at the Bonaventure CS Hotel, possibly with his wife, who may have arrived at the hotel before him. Meetings with representatives of "special instruments companies" had been arranged through a Mr. Rifai in Montreal with Apikian for the following week, but were CS cancelled.

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LEADS

(1) Will identify the subscribers to the following telephone numbers called from the residence of ALADDIN AL-TAYYAR, telephone number 212-879-8023, on the indicated Dates: (5)

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Date	Number Called	Location
Extensive calls between July, 1974, and January, 1975	514 (332-1425	Montreal, Quebec
7/3/74	514-871-9987	Montreal, Quebec
7/8; 8/4; 8/20/74	514-384-1817	Montreal, Quebec
7/9; 7/10; 7/28; 8/4; 8/2 2 /74	514-276-3707	Montreal, Quebec
7/31/74	514-363-2557	Montreal, Quebec
8/1/74	506 389-1734	Monoton, New Brunswick
8/11/74	514-336-5068	Montreal, Quebec
8/11/74	514-336-4678	Montreal, Quebec
8/18/74	514-388-0728	Montreal, Quebec
8/21; 12/1; 12/3/7	74 514-366-6108	(S) Montreal, Quebec
9/4/74	514-276-3706	Montreal, Quebec
9/18/74	514-270-4961	Montreal, Quebec
9/29/74	514-331-9968	Montreal, Quebec
10/26; 11/7/74	514-733-5460	Montreal, Quebec
11/6/74	514-279-3634 (or 8	Montreal, Quebec
12/20/74	514-878-2332	Montreal, Quebec
1/1/75	514-229-4165	St. Adele, Quebec
1/2/75	514-331-9968	Montreal, Quebec

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- (2) Will attempt to ascertain whether the nature of the subscribers' relationship with AL-TAYYAR appears to be social or professional. Will ascertain whether there is any indication that any of these individuals are connected with weapons' transactions, diplomatic establishments or suspected terrorist organizations.
- (3) Will ascertain whether AL-TAYYAR maintains an account at the Royal Bank of Ottawa, and determine from the records of this account whether he has had any recent transactions which might involve the private purchase of weaponry.
- (4) Will attempt to ascertain background information concerning WILLIAM APIKIAN, including the nature of his activities (5) while in Canada. It should be noted that while APIKIAN's (5) nationality is not currently known, he may have been involved in public relations or diplomatic work for the Iraqi Government or other Middle Eastern organizations. (5)
- (5) Will attempt to ascertain whether there is any indication that individuals contacted by AL-TAYYAR or individuals known to be associated with either Iraqi diplomatic establishments or suspected terrorist organizations, were in receipt of weapons from New York on or about December 23, 1974.

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